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In re Application of:)
Bernard J. HRYTZAK, *et al.*) Confirmation No.: 3643
Application No.: 10/715,827) Group Art Unit: 3723
Filed: 19 November 2003) Examiner: Unassigned
For: APPARATUS, SYSTEM AND METHOD)
OF RETAINING A COIL SPRING)

Commissioner for Patents
Arlington, VA 22202

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the document listed on the attached PTO-1449. Applicants submit that no fee is required for consideration of this information since, to the best of their knowledge, no Office Action has been mailed.

A concise explanation of relevance for each of the non-English language documents listed may be ascertained from the English-language translation of their Abstract.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*Examiner Initial	Document Number	Date	Name	Class	Sub Class	Filing Date
	5,493,776	02/27/1996	Kammeraad, et al.			
	5,246,215	09/21/1993	Takamura, et al.			
	5,089,406	08/13/1991	Whittington			
	4,204,566	05/27/1980	Kirrish, et al.			
	4,064,921	12/27/1977	Kose			
	1,878,128	09/20/1932	Griswold			

U.S. PATENT APPLICATION PUBLICATION

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	2003/0038269	02/27/2003	Creissel, et al.			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		Document Number	Date	Country	Class	Sub Class	<u>Translation</u>
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Examiner

Date Considered

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United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the Office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should any of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

Except for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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